

COMBINED NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE  
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES & PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) (Small Entity)

Docket No.  
INE-0061USD3

In Re Application Of: **Oleg Shikhman**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
10/726,031	12/1/2003	Kathleen C. Sonnett	23413	3731	4709

Invention: **SUTURE LOADING ASSEMBLY**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined Notice of Appeal from the Primary Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 15, 2009 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated **9/15/2009** finally rejecting Claim(s) **1-25**

Applicant(s) hereby request(s) an extension of time of (check desired time period):

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